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GOD'S WAY FOR MAN'S HEART *Heart trouble.*

INT:

Increase in man's troubles today due to two things:

1. More people. 2. Less willingness to obey God.

*not now!* Isa. 55:6-9. Jer. 10:23. Prov. 1:7. Matt. 7:24-27. Prov. 14:12.

Greatest need today is to make God's Way Man's Way.

I.

BASIC SCRIPTURES SHOW THE GREAT WISDOM OF THIS.

1. I Sam. 16:7. God chose men by their hearts. *Eliab.*
2. Prov. 23:7. As a man thinketh in his heart... *WHY*
3. Prov. 4:23. God concerned about what goes in. *KEEP*
4. Matt. 12:34:36. Out of the heart comes words & deeds. *ABUNDANCE*

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT. *Mk. 12*

1. Jesus quizzed about the Greatest Commandment of all
  - a. He knew over 660 in O. T. Minute details.
  - b. His answer: Mark 12:28-31. (Deut. 6:4-5)
  - c. Point: Wants to be first in every generation.

*Ill. Italian woman at Rome, N.Y. - Piza.*THE TEST OF A GREAT HEART.

1. Abraham's heart tested at 75. G. 12:1-3. Accepted!
2. Abraham's faith tested at 100. 15:2-6. Sara: 90 yrs
3. Abraham's loyalty tested. Gen. 22:1-2.
  - a. Left Ur. Went to Egypt. Shared with Lot.
 

Waited 25 yrs. Not enough? No. LOVE ME MOST???
  - b. Abraham prepared for the test. 22:3.
  - c. The test executed. 22:10-12.
  - d. The successful passing of the test. 22:15-18.

CONCLUSION: God found Abraham's heart good and also his faith, loyalty and love.III. OUR GREAT TEST TODAY...THE HEART TEST.

1. Exodus 20:1-7. God and His name first or none!
  2. None bow down to pot-bellied Buddah or other such idol or image. *viz St. Patricks cathedral.*
  3. Idolatry today is a subtle, sinister and sophisticated heathenism. Anything that crowds God out
- Specific: Home, cars, baby, rest, pleasure, etc.*
- Mark 12:28-30 is God's appeal for first place in your heart.*

INV:

Some here have HAD God first, but not now. Something crowded God out. Restore God to His place in your heart and He will restore you to your place in church

Some never have put Him first. Maybe tonight??!! HOPE!

He's first when you B-R-C-B.

(OVER) →

BOORUM &amp; PHASE "NOTES"

W H 6-28-65  
SS 6-27-71

III. Dwight L. Moody: (Baxter, "Way", P. 9)

Preached powerful sermon to large audience.  
Urged people to go home and think about it.  
Obey at some future time when convenient.  
1871, the night the Great Chicago Fire. Many  
perished. Never seen again.

**MISTAKE:** Should have told them what God wants.  
II Cor. 6:2. NOW!!!!

Know how he felt:

III.

My mistake. Madisonville, Tex.  
response. "Just want to do right.  
need to know what to do."  
Set study appointment at 2:30.  
Sis. Kella Morris' house struck  
by lightning at 2:00. We  
fought fire till 3:30. He  
gone! Should not have  
waited ???